

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR  
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PATENT APPLICATION  
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Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled ABSORBENT TAMPON COMPRISING A SECONDARY ABSORBENT MEMBER ATTACHED TO THE OUTER SURFACE the specification of which

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